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ITEMS of LOCAL INTEREST

Horace P. Glover, Esq. of Millinburg was seen in Snyder's capital on Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Orwig were visiting relatives and friends in Shamokin over Sunday.

Miss Maizie Dunkelberger is playing the needle and visiting friends at New Berlin and vicinity.

The Middleburgh Orchestra and the Band have furnished music for New Berlin commencement.

Miss Miriam Orwig is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Harry Harter, and family at Hartleton.

F. F. Ranek of Williamsport was in town on Sunday evening looking after personal interests.

We hear it rumored that M. I. Potter will leave West Virginia to return to Snyder County again.

Pure manilla binder twine @ 91 cts. Pure sisal @ 71, at Harley & Rashoar's, Beaver Springs, Pa.

Ex-Governor Beaver is being urged to become Attorney General of the state under Hastings' administration.

Samuel P. Snyder, who had been an inmate of the county jail for some time, secured his liberty on Tuesday.

Roland E. Crist and Sadie Gortner, students of Missionary Institute, were in town on Thursday evening.

About 25 cyclists were in town on Sunday. Most of them were from Shamokin and took dinner at the Washington House.

At the recent Republican State Convention Delegate H. C. Saempel appointed Horace Alleman, Esq., on the State Central Committee.

Jerome Thompson on Saturday left himself away to the hills of Juniata county and on Sunday he rode back on a new bicycle.

A. W. Potter of Selinsgrove and G. Weiser of the county-seat were attending argument court in Juniata county this week.

Both the Reformed and Lutheran Sabbath Schools observed Children's Day on Sunday evening. The exercises were all of an interesting nature.

W. W. Trout, Deputy Collector for his Internal Revenue District, will sit at Graybill's Hotel on June 19th for the transaction of official business.

Chas. L. John of Mt. Carmel was last week elected Colonel of the Pa. Division of the Sons of Veterans in session at Johnstown. This is an honor worthy bestowed.

At the Fulton County Republican primary held last week Hon. Thad. J. Mahon was endorsed for Congress and Allison S. Edwards was nominated for Assembly.

The Festival announced in the Post last week to be held by the C. E. Society of Hassinger's church on Saturday evening, June 16th will take place in Bower's grove.

The house and lot on West Main street, belonging to T. H. Harter, will be sold at private sale. For particulars call on or address, J. M. STEININGER, Middleburgh, Pa.

To-day, Thursday, James Carpenter of Port Royal will hang upon the gallows at Millintown to pay the penalty for the murder of his blind father. Some rumors are afloat that the murderer has made a confession. No doubt Sheriff Lapp would feel better to execute him after a confession than he would without one.

Harvest time is drawing near when very farmer will want some fine whiskey to make the days appear shorter, strengthen his nerves, and improve his appetite. You will find at my retail house near the R. R. the finest goods that has ever been offered to the market. My new white whiskey @ \$1.75 has no equal for its size, while the \$2.00 whiskey is nearly two years old, and that for \$2.50, thirty-two months old. J. L. MARKS, Middleburgh, Pa.

SHINGLES! SHINGLES!! I have just received 100,000 No. 1, 2 and 3 24-inch White-pine Shingles. Call and see them before buying elsewhere. F. H. MAURER, New Berlin, Pa.

Fine embroideries, ladies' fine hosiery, chamoisettes, ladies' and children's kid gloves, at the very lowest prices at Libbie Dunkleberger's Millinery store.

The "Pennsylvania Society" of the state of Indiana held a meeting on the evening of the 2nd at Elkhart and decided to hold their annual gathering the third Saturday in August.

The Lutheran Reunion this year will be held at Clement's Park, on the 30th day of August, instead of on Shikellimy Heights, where it heretofore has been held for several years.

Rev. R. Foster Fetterolf of Maple Hill, Lycoming County, will preach a trial sermon at Hassinger's church on Sunday morning, June 17th, and in the Lutheran church of Middleburgh, in the evening.

Prothonotary J. C. Schoch with the assistance of a number of friends on Saturday last raised his residence to the height of thirteen inches. This makes a decided improvement in the appearance of the house.

We are in receipt of an invitation to attend the 44th annual Commencement of Bucknell University to take place from June 15-20. The total number of graduates this year in all departments is 70. A very large attendance is anticipated.

Bro. Leshner of the Times made one of his weekly visits to Philadelphia last week, and while there, we propose, learned of the "hemp" crop in Snyder county. Thanks Joe, for the favor conferred, are you often pressed for emergency locals?

A philosophical writer says: When you are annoyed and mortified by what your children do and the way they appear, stop and think whether you have any real cause for chagrin or not; and if you see nothing that is going to affect their future character unfavorably, do not worry.

Rev. W. C. Dunlap of Pine Grove Mills, a former classmate of the editor, headed the scriptural admonition that it is not good for man to be alone. He was married last Wednesday to Miss Irene Beck of Lovellville. We understand the young parson has a call to the Duncannon charge. Here is our best Wilton. May the blessings of joy and felicity constantly attend your voyage down the stream of life.

C. H. Steinger last week found a land turtle on his farm that he had seen 40 years ago. The inscription "C. H. St. 1854," was found upon it. Mr. Steinger in his younger days used almost every opportunity to cut his initials upon these turtles and no doubt in after years, many of them will again be found. Mr. Steinger's find discloses the fact that these beings live for a long, long time, some reaching the century mark.

The catalogue of Ursinus College for the year 1893-94 is a handsome publication of 96 pages. It is replete with information concerning the faculty, courses of study, equipment, and facilities of the institution, and gives a very clear analysis of the principles on which the institution is organized. The number of students in attendance during the year is 154. A copy of the catalogue may be obtained by writing to the President at Collegeville, Pa.

"MISTAKEN SOULS WHO DREAM OF BLISS."—The following marriage licenses have been granted since our last publication:

- J. J. Sawyer, West Virginia.
- Virgie D. Moyer, Adams Twp.
- Calvin DeLong, Beaver Springs.
- Cora S. Brininger, Swales, Pa.
- Andrew Bear, Middlecreek.
- Emeline M. Knapp, Mahantonga.
- Uriah M. Strawser, McKees Falls.
- Annie C. Bickle, Altoona, Pa.
- John A. Zerby, Selinsgrove.
- Magie M. Ulrich, Middlecreek.
- Isaac C. Hommel, Crossgrove.
- Fauntie M. Peters, Penn Twp.
- F. E. Hoke, Penn Twp.
- Nora Hosterman, Penn Twp.



FIRST NATIONAL BANK, MIDDLEBURGH, PA.

The New Bank Building.

We present to our readers this week the likeness of the new Bank Building as it will appear when fully completed. The officers and directors of the First National Bank are always up to the times. The room which they have been using for the last four years has become too small for the bulk of business they have been called upon to transact. They are now erecting a business block under the direction of W. H. C. Hoffman & Sons of Williamsport, on the Bower lot. The banking room will be at the corner, measuring 21 feet front by 12 feet near the centre of the room.

The front part of this room will be used for banking business and the back part for the Directors' room. The room will be supplied with all the modern conveniences. The other part of the building will be divided into offices and a store room.

The First National Bank of Middleburgh was organized only four years ago and has met with phenomenal success as business has been increasing every year since it was organized. The officers and directors desire to accommodate their customers in the best manner possible. If business continues to increase in the same ratio after they are in the new building, it will almost be necessary to increase the capital to \$75,000 in order to keep pace with the increase of business.

We know that our many readers will appreciate the newspaper enterprise that gives to them, at this early date, a picture of the building which will be the most handsome structure in the town.

A hammock hung according to rule should be six and a quarter feet from the ground at the head and three-quarters above the ground at the foot end. The rope that secures the head end should be less than twelve inches, and that at the foot should measure four and a half feet. Arranged in this way the lower part will swing freely and the head be kept comfortable by being nearly stationary.

REDUCTION IN MONEY ORDER RATES.—After July 1st the issue of postal notes will cease and a new schedule of fees will come into use for money orders, as follows: for \$2.50 or less, three cents; \$2.50 to \$5.00, five cents; \$5.00 to \$10.00, eight cents; \$10.00 to \$20.00, ten cents; \$20.00 to \$30.00, twelve cents; \$30.00 to \$40.00, fifteen cents; \$40.00 to \$50.00, eighteen cents; \$50.00 to \$60.00, twenty cents; \$60.00 to \$75.00, twenty-five cents; \$75.00 to \$100, thirty cents.

The Prohibitionists of the state met at Williamsport last week and re-elected H. D. Patton, chairman and all the old officers. Following is the ticket nominated: Charles L. Hawley of Scranton, for Governor; Homer L. Castle of Pittsburg, Lieut. Governor; Charles Palmer, Delaware county, Auditor General; L. R. Gleason, Bradford county, Secretary of Internal Affairs; E. K. Kane, McKean county, and Rev. L. G. Jordan, Philadelphia, Congressmen-at-Large.

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"Bogus" Miller in Sunbury Jail.

Amos Miller, better known as "Bogus" Miller, and his two sons, Francis and Charles of Selinsgrove are now lodged in the Sunbury jail. On last Thursday, a warrant was sworn out by a farmer residing at Fisher's Ferry. The three jail birds are charged with stealing two lap-ropes, a lot of blankets, a rooster, a goose and numerous other articles. At Miller's home were found crosscut-saws, cant-hooks, fish nets, musk-rat traps and a great many other articles both useful and ornamental. Carey Barrett was deputized to assist Mr. Wayne, the

"Bogus" Miller is well known in Snyder county, having served several terms in the jail here. He has a mania for stealing and his boys have inherited the same qualities. He steals things for which he has no use whatever. Either he can not resist the temptation to steal, or else he expects to sell his booty to others and in that way profit by his transgressions. The people of Selinsgrove will sleep more soundly while he is in jail.

New Berlin Commencement.

The cessation of the rainy weather was a welcome change to the many who were eagerly awaiting the time when New Berlin Commencement should begin. On last Friday and Saturday evenings the anniversary exercises of the two literary societies were held. Large numbers of people were present from the surrounding towns and country. On Sunday morning Rev. J. C. Reeser of Hagerstown, Md., preached a most excellent and appropriate sermon to the Y. M. C. A. In the evening Dr. Gobble preached the Baccalaureate sermon to the graduating class. He utilized this opportunity for presenting many salient points. On Monday afternoon the Library Association of the Excelsior Literary Society held their anniversary. In the evening the large audience and more especially the Alumni, were edified by the scholarly and masterly address by Rev. John E. Bone, '80, Oneonta, N. Y. On Tuesday morning the Neocosmian Literary Society held a Book reception which was a very pleasant feature of the commencement. In the evening Emerson Collins, Esq., a noted barrister of Wmsport, maintained his excellent reputation as a fluent talker in his address before the literary societies. The Alumni held their business meeting on Wednesday morning and banqueted at high noon. The Class Day exercises were held in the afternoon and the graduating exercises in the evening. The commencement was a decided success. The number of people attending these exercises is larger than that of any similar institution in Penna. The commencement closed with the President's reception.

John A. Baker, the editor of the Perry County Freeman, seems to be the oldest editor in actual service in Penna. He has been in journalism ever since 1839. Bro. Schoch of the Stroudsburg Jeffersonian ranks next having served since 1840.

Defend the Soldiers' Pensions!

The News Item takes exceptions to our statement concerning the suspension of the names of Allen Hassinger of Globe Mills and Philip Spaid of Middleburgh from the pension rolls. The fact that they have been suspended has not been denied and we have no apologies to make for our statement. The tactics employed to suspend these old soldiers from the pension rolls is of no consequence since the result is as disastrous in one case as in the other. Even if the pension department is willing to pay \$8.00 to Mr. Spaid, the fact that he has been reported and his pension tampered with is an evidence that the pension department is willing to stoop to help private citizens in their vengeance and malice against the brave and loyal soldier. No man who is a friend to a soldier will report him, and the pension department knows that as soon as they act on such reports, they are assisting an individual in wreaking vengeance upon a personal enemy. Such a policy is worthy of the condemnation of every loyal citizen.

We know nothing of the merits of the pension cases mentioned, but we know of hundreds of cases that have come to our notice where pensioners are deserving of every cent and more too, yet when they are reported, the same doom awaits them. When the conclusion is drawn that Mr. Hassinger's case is similar to Mr. Spaid's, the inference is analogical, which is the most fallacious kind of reasoning. Hence, our readers will understand why

More of Hoke's Victims.

The suspension axe of the Confederate Reform Anti-Union Democratic Pension Department has visited our neighborhood again, the victim being our old comrade, W. C. Feely, who is an old veteran of two enlistments and who served nearly through the entire war. He is now sixty-five years of age, an old and broken down man who suffers from paralysis and is absolutely unable to earn a livelihood. This speaks volumes for a patriotic department in purging the pension rolls of frauds. Another victim was S. W. Fickes of Co. C, 9th Pa. Cavalry. Mr. Fickes enlisted in August, 1861, and was discharged in September, 1865—was always at the front and participated in all the battles in which that famous regiment was engaged. He was with Gen. Sherman from Atlanta to the round up at Raleigh, N. C. Another was John Fosselman of the 208th Reg., Pa. Vol. Fosselman has been a sufferer from rheumatism ever since the war and is one of our most respected citizens, but honor, service or disability counts for nothing under this administration. The expenses of the government must be reduced if the old soldiers have to go to the poor house. How we Democrats love the soldiers!

Yours Respectfully, SOLDIER.

It is said that several pensioners from this vicinity have felt the weight of Hoke Smith's boot recently in being kicked off the rolls and having their pensions suspended.—Halifax Gazette.

The pension payments for the nine months ending March, 1894, show that \$13,600,000 less was paid by the Cleveland administration than by the Harrison administration, for a corresponding period of last year. Who is the soldier's friend?

The monthly meeting of the Masonic Lodge will be held in Selinsgrove on Saturday evening, June 16. The new School Board organized with the following officers: Pres., G. C. Gutelius; Sec., Dr. Shindel; Treas., J. W. Swartz. The other members are G. Alfred Schoch, Adam Showers and Curtin Bowersox.

Editor of the Country Newspaper

There is no man who does more for the community in which he lives than the editor of the country newspaper. Toiling ceaselessly from one year's end to another, often with insufficient help and unable to secure assistance, he manages to issue regularly his weekly paper, filled with the news of his county and the world. No business enterprise is started in his county that he is not expected to "give it a little boost." No entertainment is projected by the church that he is not called on to give it a "free puff." If a leading citizen dies his columns are thrown open for liberal obituaries, while births and weddings are all noticed, usually at considerable length. If his county is an agricultural one, he must never fail to tell how big the crops of all the farmers are, so that people from other places may be induced to locate. If there are coal veins to be opened, he must fill his columns with reports of the thickness of the veins, the value of the coal and the inducements held out to capitalists for its development. If there is a railroad to be built, a new court-house wanted, or any improvement contemplated, the columns of his paper must be used to boom them. In a thousand different ways he helps his county and every issue of his paper is worth a great deal to the people of his community.

A house at Richfield was struck by lightning on Tuesday night.

Dr. J. G. Sallade, a veterinarian surgeon, has opened his office at Beaver graduate of a first

son of Ontario, Canada. His of announcement will appear in our next issue. Give the Dr. a call.

AGES at which PEOPLE MARRY.—We have made a calculation of the ages of the applicants for marriage licenses during the month of May. There were 11 licenses granted. The aggregate ages of the male applicants amount to 298 years, the female applicants 226 years. The average age of the men is 24, of the women 20. The oldest husband is 33, the youngest, 19. The oldest wife is 32, the youngest, 17. There are three female applicants who are only 17 and only two are over 20.

During the heavy thunder storm that passed over town on Tuesday night, lightning struck the house of Aaron Stahlnecker and played with things in general. The bolt seems to have entered at the chimney, run down at both sides of the house and connected on 1st floor where the carpet was lacerated, the floor broken and the windows out. Crocks, dishes, chairs and other things suffered from the effects of the shock. Fire was averted only by the timely appearance of Mr. Stahlnecker.

At Millinburg no one knows whether they will have water works or not. Some time ago, five members of the Council met. 3 of them voted to contract with Freck & Johnston of Millersburg for 40 plugs at an annual rental of \$800. The action was approved by the Burgess. Last week when all the members of the council were present, 3 members voted to approve the minutes and 3 to disapprove the minutes of the previous meeting. This makes a deadlock. So the people are at a loss to know whether they will use pure mountain water or Reish's Best.

There is lots of truth in this observation of a contemporary: A young man cannot make a success in life unless he works. He cannot loaf around street corners and saloons. He must learn a trade or do some honest work, or before he knows it he will be a chronic loafer despised by all with whom he comes in contact. Do something, no matter how small, and you will eventually find yourself climbing the ladder of success. There are many obstacles to be overcome, but toil, grit and endurance will help you to overcome them all. Help yourself and others will help you.